

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2295 - SB 2460

February 16, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Education (DOE) to biennially survey local education agencies (LEAs) and public charter schools to determine what programs have been developed or used for the subjects of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Requires DOE, with STEM faculty from institutions of higher education, to evaluate LEA STEM programs to determine best practices. Requires DOE to report its initial findings and conclusions to the Education Committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2015. Requires DOE to file its biennial report with the Education Committees of the General Assembly by December 31 of each odd numbered year.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$5,000/FY15-16 and Subsequent Years

Assumptions:

- DOE will contract with a third-party to perform the survey.
- Based on information received from DOE, there will be an increase of state expenditures for the survey development, implementation, analysis, evaluation, and report preparation.
- The total contract cost is estimated to be \$10,000. State expenditures will be allocated evenly between two fiscal years. The average recurring increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$5,000 per year.
- No increase in local government expenditures to provide survey information.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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